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The Lockard Letter

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For Your Information

Please be aware of the following information and make daily attendance, for your child, a number one priority. The following is the money the Sunflower Consolidated School District lost because of absenteeism in the District.

Date	Money Lost	Number of Absentees
January 18, 2019	\$4,122	229
January 22, 2019	\$5,310	295
January 23, 2019	\$6,444	358
January 24, 2019	\$5,652	314
January 25, 2019	\$5,472	304

We want all children present everyday so they learn and grow. Absenteeism contributes to learning loss because students miss quality instruction when they are absent. Being absent one day per month means a child loses 9 days of instruction or 2970 instructional minutes over the course of a school year. Missing 1 day of instruction means a child misses 330 instructional minutes. We applaud parents of students in the following classes for having the highest attendance for January.....



Lockard Vision Statement

Lockard will be the best school ever by being a safe, inviting, positive place in which all are engaged and showing growth every day.

Monthly Calendar January

- 7th – Teachers & Staff Return
- 9th – Students Return
- 15th – PTO Meeting – 5:00 P.M.
- 15th – MLK Birthday
- 17th – Report Cards
- 22nd – Community Walk – 9:00 A.M.
- 31st – Financial Literacy (2) – 6:00P.M.



Linda Beckworth

Mrs. Beckworth is a wonderful veteran teacher who has patience and skill. She works hard to make sure that all the students in her class are doing the best that they can do.

Londyn Thomas

Londyn is a very intelligent student who strives for excellence in all of her endeavors.

Jessica Thornton

Ms. Thornton, Londyn's mother, has instilled the importance of education in Londyn because it is evident in her grades.

Spotlight

Counselor's Corner ~ Mason's Memo

Keep moving forward...

"If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward." ~ Martin Luther King Jr.

Each year on the third Monday of January our nation observes a holiday to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. for his service and sacrifice to make our country a better place. I am always moved when I listen to his speeches and the interviews of those who lived life along-side of him. To have lived such a short life, Dr. King left a wealth of wisdom for us to learn from and to live by each day.

The above quote by Dr. King reminds me of how things and life are always changing. There are days that I am flying high and there are days that I can barely crawl an inch, but either way I must *keep moving forward*. Education is like that at times also but with the support from the families of each student in our school we *keep moving forward*. Lockard Elementary is one piece of the puzzle that makes up the Sunflower County Consolidated School District. We each play a part in the success of each student in our school which in turn plays a part in the success of our district and in-turn our county.

Our ultimate goal is to "grow students" or to *keep moving each child forward*. Thank you for supporting us as we work to *keep our school moving forward*.

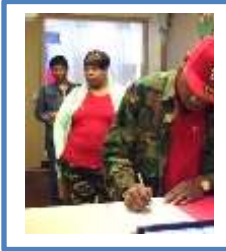


Literary Corner

Notes from the Library:

- Welcome to a new year of reading and learning. I look forward to the new year as Lockard's librarian! I hope you all had a blessed Christmas season.
- The week of December 3rd-7th was a RIF distribution week. Each student chose a free book and a bookmark. They were excited about the great book choices!
- Devin Davis in Ms. Thompson's class placed first in Division A in the district reading fair. He will continue to the next level at Delta State later this month. Good luck to Devin!

Happy reading to all of you!
Mrs. Burkett



ABSENTEEISM and TARDINESS is a problem!
Staff, students, parents lets strive for "NO" absentees in January.

Linda Rule, Parent Liaison



Mckinney Vento Act

Provide activities for, and services to, homeless children, including preschool-aged homeless children, and youths that enable such children and youths to enroll in, attend, and succeed in school, or, if appropriate, in preschool programs. www.nationalhomeless.org

